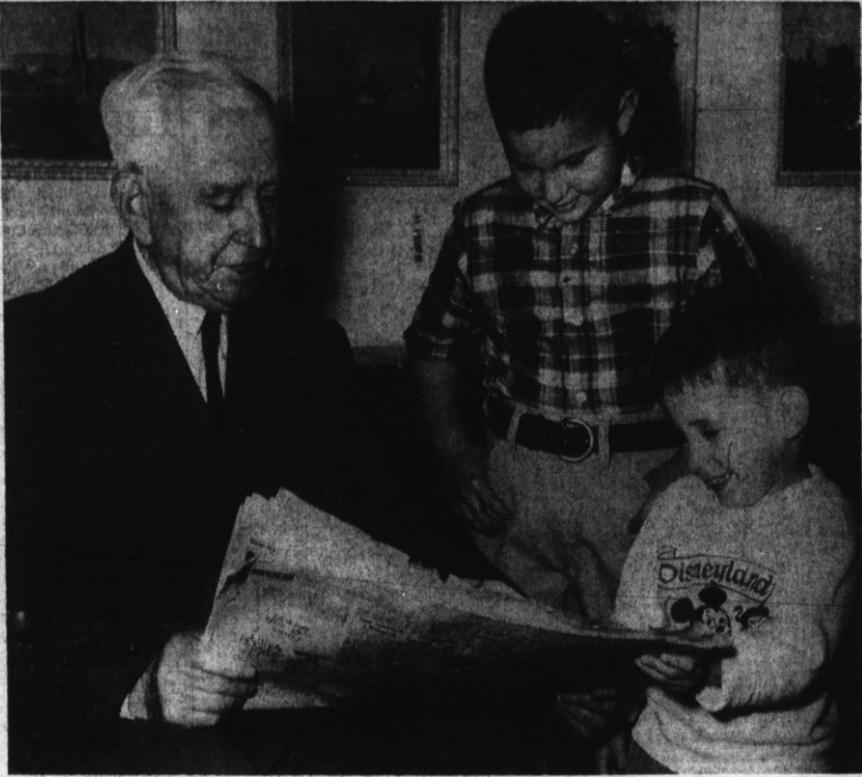


Happy  
St.  
Patrick's  
Day



In A  
Good Old  
Irish Way

Mr. Thomas Patrick O'Grady, himself, enjoys a grand popularity with the children in the neighborhood. Here, with his copy of the Dublin Sunday Press, he finds many interesting items to relate, in his own inimitable Irish way, to the Woofler youngsters, Kevin 5, and Gary 2. (Press-Herald Photo)



HOWARD CHITJIAN



GRACE-LYNNE MARTIN

Woman's Club Presents

'Musical Carousel'

Torrance Woman's Club has planned a fun night for members and guests on March 20 at their clubhouse with a 7 p.m. dinner, followed by a "Musical Carousel." Featured artists will be Howard Chitjian, television and musical comedy star, and Grace-Lynne Martin, opera, musical comedy, and television personality. "Musical Carousel" is a presentation in costumes and with stage setting for songs from the well known and the obscure, classical to popular, musical comedy to opera. Howard Chitjian, baritone, has been featured in San Francisco and Los Angeles Civic Light Opera produc-

tions, appearing this season at the Music Center in "Student Prince" and "Dumas and Sons." He has also appeared in many television shows and with the Metropolitan and Honolulu operas. Miss Martin, a graduate of Occidental College, has appeared in opera, musical comedy, on the concert stage, in television and recordings for Columbia and Epic records. She starred in Melodyland's "Desert Song," "New Moon," and in "Camelot" in Sacramento. Ladd Thomas is the accompanist. Mrs. Alma Smith may be contacted for tickets to this event.



St. Pat's  
Day  
Jamboree

St. Patrick's Day Jamboree to be staged by the Junorettes of Court St. Catherine, CDA, this afternoon at 3 p.m. at Nativity Annex will be highlighted by a skit on "The Spirit of St. Patrick." Rehearsing are left, Mary Larmon, as St. Patrick; Laura Williams, angel, and Leprechaun Princess Rhonda Larmon accepting her wand from St. Patrick. At right, Cynthia Trujillo and Susan Catena hold the script. There will also be games, singing, prizes, and refreshments. Parents and friends are invited to attend. (Press-Herald Photo)



Xi Nu Upsilon Chapter, Beta Sigma Phi, and guests are anticipating the second annual Fashion Tea set for Saturday, March 23, from 2 until 4 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Harry L. Vannatta in Palos Verdes, when "Milady's Spring Fashions" will be spotlighted. A tip on what's to come is shown by, from left, Mmes. Mack Johnson, model; Morton Jones, hostess, and James Hendrix, model. Mrs. Andrew Pope, chairman, states that Mrs. Alex Hansen of Long Beach will be the fashion commentator. Also assisting are Mmes. John Cronander, Edward Morris, Mack Johnson, Morton Jones, Raymond Young, James T. Hendrix, Claude Prude and John P. Miller. (Press-Herald Photo)

Fashions  
and  
Flowers

Delightful Visiting Irishman Says:

Leprechaun is a Tall Tale,  
I'm a Dubliner so I Know

"I'm a Dubliner" and no leprechaun (if there is such a thing) could muster more pride when he makes this announcement than Thomas Patrick O'Grady, a true son of the auld sod, in Torrance, on a vacation.

And those leprechaun tales, they are not for the city folk, but the country folk, especially over around Donegal they will tell that they saw them and swear to it, so says this 79-year old Irishman who is full of Irish stories but not about the "little people."

This father of four daughters, and two sons is in Torrance visiting three of his daughters, Mrs. Peter Tew, 18428 Glenburn Ave.; Mrs. James McGinty, 1846 Middlebrook Rd., and Miss Margaret O'Grady, who makes her home with the Charles Allens at 624 Madrid Ave. In Dublin, he lives with the other daughter.

This is not his first visit to America, he was here in 1960 for six weeks. He returned to Torrance last September and last week had his visa renewed for six more months.

For 30 years, Mr. O'Grady worked in the shipyards in Dublin. Upon retirement there, he became a turf accountant in a betting office (gambling is legal in Ireland) retiring from this job in June 1966.

In the "troubled times" in Ireland, 1917 to 1922, one of his brothers served in the IRA (an underground army against the English) and another brother was with the Free State Army. As for Thomas Patrick "I never wore anybody's clothes but my own" meaning he was never in uniform.

"Of course I remember the Easter Rebellion. I was at the races and I could see the smoke when Dublin was burning. We had to take a train around the city to get to our homes." The visitor also remembers that after that Easter Rebellion, a curfew

was imposed and remained in effect until 1920. It was in 1922 that a "deal" was made with the English, and the "Irish Free State" was born consisting of 26 counties.

It was during World War II, that his daughter in Dublin and her husband moved to England so that the son-in-law could fight with the Royal Air Force. A sympathetic RAF saw that the daughter was flown back to Ireland for the birth of their son, who is now serving with the United States Navy.

When asked about the young people of Ireland he said "Of course they have to keep up with the times and our young people are moving along." In Ireland, the television show "Virginian" is the most popular and Doug McClure is his favorite actor.

Among the changes, the salutation "God Be With You" always used when friends meet, has now been modernized to "God Bless You" and around the churches on Sunday motor cars have replaced the jaunty carts pulled by donkeys.

St. Patrick's Day in Ireland is a family day. It is also a Holy Day of Obligation and all must attend mass. Then there is a two hour parade down O'Connell St. followed by family dinners.

It will be the same, except for the parade, for this visiting Irishman today. He, his daughters and their families will attend Mass and then gather for a family dinner.

"America is a beautiful country and I'm enjoying my stay. I've seen a lot of interesting places here but the Busch Gardens are my favorite. I do a lot of walking and I have made a lot of friends in Torrance."

And these friends, the Allens, and the relatives affectionately refer to this Son of Erin as "our little leprechaun."

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Congregation Ner Tamid

Candlelight Ball  
Slated March 23

Congregation Ner Tamid will sponsor a Candlelight Ball at Temple Menorah at 8 p.m. on Saturday evening, March 23.

Decorations in a pink and orange color motif will be supervised by Mmes. Jack Escusten, Arthur Heslof, Jack Berger, Hal Savitz and Sidney Katz. Joseph Cohen is chairman.

A catered dinner will be followed by an evening of dancing to the music of Les Ashton and his orchestra.

Hostesses for the dinner-dance are Mmes. Hal Cozen, Harlan Chevman, Mel Kaplan, Hal Mirels, Alan Block, Martin Berkowitz, Aron Fingerhut, Maurice Hattem and Charles Price.

Mrs. Melvin Schwartzburg and Mrs. Esmond Kronick are handling the publicity.

Reservations are being accepted by Mrs. Burton Rein.



Key to  
Gala  
Evening

Hostesses for Ner Tamid Congregation's Candlelight Ball, March 23 at Temple Menorah, from left, Mmes. Paul H. Goodley, Joseph Cohen and Douglas D. Brill, offer keys to a gala evening as they light the candles for the dinner dance. A catered dinner will precede the dance for which Les Ashton's orchestra will play. Mrs. Burton Rein is taking reservations. (Press-Herald Photo)